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Sunday Liturgy:
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Sunday, 9:00 am & 6:00 pm
Daily Liturgy:
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday, 8:00 am
Eucharistic Adoration:
Wednesday, 8:30 am – 8:30 pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation:
Wednesday, 7:00 – 8:00 pm
Saturday, 3:30 – 4:30 pm

Bulletin Announcements

Please email any announcements to bulletin@olbh.org by noon on Tuesday for the following weekend bulletin.

Catholics Building on Faith

Over 20 years ago, the Rapid City Ministerial Group brought ***Habitat for Humanity*** to the area. They formed a local affiliate, and today they are working on house number 77! Over the years, many Catholics were right beside Lutherans and Methodists pounding nails, fixing sandwiches, and painting walls. Yet, as a "church" we have never sponsored a house.

Recently, the five Catholic Parishes of Rapid City and Piedmont agreed to sponsor two homes over the next two years! Bishop Gruss, pastors, pastoral councils, and finance councils have all been consulted and are willing to forge ahead. OLBH is represented on the steering committee by Mike Keller. And other parishioners agreed to help coordinate the effort at our parish.

The financial commitment for two homes is $120,000 over the next two years, plus in-kind donations. **OLBH's share over the next two years will be $10,733.00** (based on the number of households in our parish). Sufficient donations were already received so that the lots could be purchased and foundation work could begin at the site – 226 Patton St. (a few blocks from St. Isaac Jogues Church).

Many of you have been so generous to the needs of the wider church in western SD! The Annual Diocesan Appeal is well supported at OLBH. You have been generous to the *We Walk by Faith Special Appeal* which made the school, retreat center and Newman Centers possible. As we continue to support those ministries and ventures, it is essential to attend to the needs of the poor.

The local priests and deacons have pledged $4,010 toward these houses. I hope you will join me in reflecting on the gift of a warm and safe house and consider reaching out in faith to help two more families know that joy.

Pledge cards will be available next weekend. They are color coded so that donations can be tracked for each parish. You are invited to contribute directly to Habitat for Humanity or to Our Lady of the Black Hills, and we will send your contribution to HFH. Either way your contribution will be acknowledged and credited to OLBH's goal.

Also, volunteer help will be needed. Carpenter skills are not necessary to participate. Volunteers will need to be at least 16 years old and participate once in a volunteer training that will be offered monthly in the next year. Bring your heart's desire to give back to the Lord who has given us so much. That will be enough to bring to completion this beautiful task set before us.

In Christ, Fr. Steve

OLBH Parish News

Stewardship Need
Coffee & Rolls

The Stewardship Committee is looking for a few good stewards to help with Coffee and Rolls on Sunday mornings. Any adult is able to help with this ministry. We will guide you through the process and funds are available for purchasing the needed items. Please look at the yellow sign-up sheet on the back counter of the Gathering Area or call Gloria Allardyce at 791-2303 for more information.

First Reconciliation and
First Communion Parent Meeting

Our second mandatory parent meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, November 14th at 6:30 p.m. in the OLBH Basement** for families who wish to prepare their child for the **Sacraments of First Communion and Reconciliation.** If you have any questions, please contact Jenny Scherr at 787-5168.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

We will be having our second parent meeting for parents who have children enrolled in our faith formation program **PreK-3rd grade**. Please plan to attend this meeting on **Wednesday, December 12th at 6:30 p.m.** in the church basement. During this meeting we will further investigate the seasons of Advent and Christmas. Parents please don't miss this opportunity to ponder scripture just as your children do in faith formation. Please contact Jenny with questions at jenny.scherr@olbh.org

Christmas Giving Tree

The Christmas Giving Tree is now up and filled with tags! Please take a tag and consider this as part of your Christmas treasure stewardship. All gifts should be **returned no later than December 9th** with tags attached but **unwrapped.** All gifts stay in the Piedmont, Black Hawk, and Summerset areas. If you know of someone in our area who is in need of Christmas giving, please call Judy at 716-4647 or Dorothy at 787-4509.

Blessing for the Unborn

Beginning at **next weekend's Masses**, and then done on a quarterly basis, we will be inviting expectant mothers to come forward for a Blessing of the Unborn. This is purely optional and if you would prefer to have the blessing in private, you may call the Parish Office to arrange this.

Piedmont Community
Thanksgiving Service

OLBH will be hosting this year's Piedmont Communal Thanksgiving Service. This will take place on **Tuesday, November 20th, at 7:00 p.m.** We will partner with other area churches that night to collect non-perishable food items and monetary donations for the Piedmont Valley Food Pantry. After the service, there will be a social gathering in the OLBH basement. Dessert bars and coffee will be served. **We need Greeters for this special service and Hospitality Helpers in the kitchen before and after the service. If you are available to help, please contact Kassi in the parish office.** Also, if you would like to bring bars to share, please drop them off prior to the service in the kitchen downstairs.

Low Gluten Hosts

We now have Low Gluten Hosts available by request. If you would to receive this option during the Eucharist, please contact Fr Steve or the Parish Office.

Young Adult Gathering

Join us for Mass, dinner, and good community on **Friday, November 16, 2012, at Terra Sancta Retreat Center**. Mass will begin at 5:30 p.m. For Young Adults ages 18-35. Contact Susan Safford (716-5214 x230 or ssafford@diorc.org) for more information.

This Week at Our Lady of the Black Hills

November 12th to November 18th, 2012

Monday, November 12th

Saint Josaphat – Bishop/Martyr
Readings: Ti 1:1-9; Ps 24:1-6; Lk 17:1-6 (*red*)
8:00 am: Daily Liturgy
Mass Intention: Patti Hawkins

Tuesday, November 13th

Saint Francis Xavier Cabrini - Virgin
Readings: Ti 2:1-8,11-14; Ps 37:3-4,18,23,27,29; Lk 17:7-10 (*white*)
8:00 am: Daily Liturgy
Mass Intention: The Sick
5:00 pm: Praying the Bible
7:00 pm: Boy Scouts

Wednesday, November 14th

Readings: Ti 3:1-7; Ps 23:1-6; Lk 17:11-19 (*green*)
8:00 am: Daily Liturgy
Mass Intention: +Bud Hollenbeck
8:30 am – 8:30pm: Adoration
9:00 am – Noon: Food Pantry
6:30 pm: First Communion Parent Meeting
7:00 pm: Reconciliation

Thursday, November 15th

Saint Albert the Great –Bishop, Doctor of the Church
Readings: Phlm 7-20; Ps 146:7-10; Lk 17:20-25 (*green*)
8:00 am: Daily Liturgy
Mass Intention: Our Seminarians
10:00 am: Staff Meeting

Friday, November 16th

Saint Margaret of Scotland & Saint Gertrude, Virgin
Readings: 2 Jn 4-9; Ps 119:1-2,10-11,17-18; Lk 17:26-37 (*green*)

Saturday Morning, November 17th

Saint Elizabeth of Hungary – Religious
Readings: 3 Jn 5-8; Ps 112:1-6; Lk 18:1-8 *(white)*
9:00 am – Noon: Food Pantry
3:30 pm: Reconciliation

Saturday Evening, November 17th

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Readings*:* Dn 12:1-3; Ps 16:5,8-11; Heb 10:11-14,18; Mk 13:24-32 *(green)*
5:00 pm: Liturgy
Mass Intention: OLBH Community

Sunday, November 18th

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Readings*:* Dn 12:1-3; Ps 16:5,8-11; Heb 10:11-14,18; Mk 13:24-32 *(green)*
9:00 am: Liturgy
Mass Intention: Masses for Life
10:00 am: Coffee & Rolls
10:30 am – 12:00 pm: Morning Faith Formation – PreK-3rd & Adult
2:00 pm: Confirmation Class
3:45 pm: Faith Formation Meal
4:15 pm – 5:45 pm: Faith Formation – PreK - Adult
6:00 pm: Liturgy
Mass Intention: All Married Couples

Library Help Needed for the Rapid City Catholic Schools

Volunteers needed to assist in the Libraries at the Rapid City Catholic Schools. If you are interested, or have further questions, please contact Melissa Hubbell at 605.343.8484

Weekly Ministry Schedule

November 17th & 18th

	Saturday 5:00 pm	Sunday 9:00 am	Sunday 6:00 pm
Bread Baker	Mary Blauvelt		
Altar Servers	Morgan Sears Alexandrea Blaha Daylen Rhodes	Savannah Inman Garrett Varilek Rachel Varilek	Paige Gehlsen Isaac Gehlsen Jessie Gray
Precious Body	Jan Schurman Eileen Desmond Jacqui Blaha	Jim Scherr Jean Schubauer Brenda Jacobs	Deb Steele Phillip Thompson Teresa Thompson
Precious Blood	Estela Haakedahl Cathy Wang	Barb Scherr **NEEDED**	Lorinda Collings **NEEDED**
Lectors	Kimberly Darata Dave Allardyce	LaChel McCollar Pauline Stoffel	Chad Thies John Vargo
Sacristans	Marlys Sears	Barb Erickson Gary Erickson	Mary Blauvelt Brad Blauvelt
Greeters	Ken Freeman Pam Freeman	Duane Schubauer Billie Inman	Aaron Thies Aaron Denekamp

*Intercessory Prayers

Life and Health Concerns

Joe Creek
Ray Walz
Liette Herbert
Regena Thrall
JoAnn Houser (sister of Colleen Short)
Jean Schacher
Susan Stokes
Lawrence Schulte
Les & Matt Bedney (parents of Marie Pothoff)

Repose of the Soul

Rose Moret (grandmother of Michelle Bucholz)

Names will remain on our list for one month. Please contact the parish office to request continued prayers.

The Collection Basket

November 3rd & 4th, 2012

Loose	$2364.50
Envelopes	2745.50
All Saints Day	746.00
Votive	3.00
Student	144.01
Reimbursement	500.00
Cornerstone	75.00
Adopt a Seminarian	250.00
Mass Intentions	10.00
Rectory	432.00
Total	$7270.01

Rapid City Diocese News

Knights of Columbus
Our Lady of Perpetual Help Council 1489
30th Annual Thanksgiving Dinner

Date: November 22nd, 2012
Time: 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Where: St. Thomas More High School
(300 Fairmont Boulevard)
Rapid City, South Dakota
Please join us. All are welcome!
(Meal is free of charge)
All volunteers please report to
St. Thomas More's Cafeteria at 10:15am

Matthew Kelly Retreat

Matthew Kelly, internationally known and highly respected author of Rediscovering Catholicism and several CDs, will be giving an **"Every Day Living with Passion and Purpose" day long retreat at the Cathedral on January 26th, 2013.** Mark your calendars! Mr. Kelly's message fits well with the Year of Faith. Tickets are $39. Assistance is available if needed. For more information or to purchase tickets, contact the OLBH Parish office. You may also visit the following website:
http://dynamiccatholic.com/passion-purpose-events.
More information will follow in the coming weeks.

St. Martin Workshop

Prelude to Advent Workshop will be held **November 24th, 9:30 a.m. - 11:30a.m.** An offering of $10.00 is requested. Workshop will be held in the large conference room, St. Martin Monastery. Refreshments will be served. As we meditate on the beautiful scripture passages of the coming of Christ, our heart of prayer will be learning to listen to what God is doing in our soul. Registration is necessary. Contact Sister Marmion Howe at 605-343-8011.

Angel Bazaar

The 29th annual Cathedral Angels Bazaar will be held on **Saturday, December 1st, from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.** in the Cathedral Hall at 520 Cathedral Drive, 5th & Fairmont. To rent a booth contact Jane 348-9439. We will be serving breakfast and lunch. Caramel rolls, chili, sloppy Joes, and nachos.

An Update from the Hope for New Life (HFNL) Ministry
Annual Jail Christmas Program

One of the traditional events presented each year by the HFNL Ministry is the Christmas Program for the inmates of Pennington County Jail. This consists of caroling by our ministry members, enhanced by the talented voices of several volunteers from our different parishes. For our last two Christmas Programs, we have been blessed to have Father Ed Vanorny accompany us on his guitar. During the event we also distribute between 500-600 bags of holiday candies and cookies to the inmates we entertain. Because our regular weekly jail groups average about 20 men and women (approximately 5 percent of the jail population which averages about 400 people), the Christmas Program gives us a wonderful opportunity to reach out to many more people in several different cell blocks. We are thus able to share the love and happiness of Christmas and our Savior's birth with men and women who are locked away from family and friends during this most blessed season of the year. This year's Christmas Program will take place on either the **16th or 23rd of December. We are seeking volunteers to help with this program, so if you like to sing or you can play the guitar or other musical instrument, our ministry would welcome your participation in this uplifting event.** To volunteer for the Christmas program, or to learn more about our ministry please contact **Tony Galles (348-2301)** or **Mary Sperlich (342-9343).**

Diocesan Year of Faith

Faith – Revelation: "The assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen" is the topic for the month of November in the Year of Faith events in the Diocese of Rapid City. The final talk on this subject will be offered by **Father Nathan Sparks on Sunday, Nov. 18, 2 p.m. at St. Patrick, Wall.**

Women's Silent Retreat

Susan Safford, Director of Faith Formation for the Diocese of Rapid City, will direct a silent retreat for women **December 6th -9th (Thursday – Sunday.)** Choose between monastic style lodging and family style lodging (all will be single occupancy). Find out more and register on-line at http://terrasancta.org.

Faith and Family Weekend

Living Advent is a great way to bring the spirit of Advent to holiday preparations. **Starting Friday, November 30 at 7:00 p.m. and ending Sunday, December 2 at 11:00 a.m.**, this a weekend is designed for families of all ages and sizes. We will begin on Friday evening with an introduction to Advent. The Saturday schedule will include breakfast, Morning Prayer and a group session. Families will then have free time (lunch on your own) for Christmas shopping, sightseeing, etc. from 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m., when we will prepare for and celebrate Mass, have supper and an evening activity. The Sunday schedule will include breakfast, Morning Prayer, a guided reflection and departure at 11:00 a.m. Families will stay in family style lodging (2 queen size beds and private bath). Simple meals will be provided (bring your own snacks). Register on-line at http://terrasancta.org or call 605-716-0925. All families are welcome; this retreat experience is donation-based to cover our costs. Terra Sancta's cost to provide meals and lodging is $200 per family. We ask that you prayerfully consider this and possibly sponsor a family if you're unable to attend.

Rachel's Corner

"As I came to understand that many women had suffered just like I had, and as I read about how they dealt with the trauma, I could feel healing beginning in my heart." - Real Abortion Stories by Barbara Horak

It is estimated that each year 400,000 Catholic women have an abortion. Each one who makes that choice while at the same time believing abortion is wrong, will need to reconcile herself with the gravity of her decision. This sets up an inner conflict too painful to bear. There is hope and we can help! Join us at the next Rachel's Vineyard Retreat™.

Contact Carol Kling for information about area retreats at 605-374-5639 or ckling@sdplains.com or go to the diocesan website: www.rapidcitydiocese.org/Ministries/FamilyLife.htm. For more information, contact the national office at 877-467-3463 or www.rachelsvineyard.org.

Diocesan Job Opening
Director of Development & Stewardship

Applications are being accepted for the position of **Director of Development and Stewardship** for the Diocese of Rapid City. Bachelor degree in business administration or related field, strong background in finance, communications, public relations, marketing, management, ability to motivate others, strong interpersonal relationship skills, demonstrated success with planned giving programs. This position requires three years of experience in the area of marketing and/or development and an appreciation of the mission of the Catholic Church.

Interested individuals should submit their resume´ listing three professional references along with a letter requesting an application form either by e-mail to msimonson@diorc.org or by regular mail to: Office of the Chancellor, Diocese of Rapid City, 606 Cathedral Drive, Rapid City SD 57701.

The Diocese of Rapid City offers a competitive salary and benefits package. Closing date for completed application forms is December 31, 2012.

For the Ride Home

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

By Ted Bergh

Scripture

- The jar of flour shall not go empty, nor the jug of oil run dry, (1 Kings 17:14)
- The LORD keeps faith forever, secures justice for the oppressed, gives food to the hungry (Psalm 146:7)
- But now once for all he has appeared at the end of the ages to take away sin by his sacrifice. (Hebrews 9:26)
- For they have all contributed from their surplus wealth, but she, from her poverty (Mark 12:44)

Reflection

- Have you ever felt called to do something by God?
- Have you ever thought that you should put your best talents and significant effort to a worthy but unprofitable cause?
- Have you ever devoted effort that did not return a direct benefit to you and in fact may have cost you opportunity or personal gain?
- Have you sacrificed your lifestyle for a cause that others thought was a waste of your time and ability?

Middle class rich boy that I was, I never would have thought that it would be the poor who would be my salvation. Owing to the upbringing that I had received at my mother's hands, as well as the attitude of the church I had been attending up until that time, I had always thought that it was the rich and well-to-do who would be the ones to rescue the poor. The latter depended on us, and our generosity was their salvation. Without us they would have been destined to death.

What blindness was ours and mine! The truth was just the contrary, and now life was demonstrating this to me. It was the poor who would be my salvation, and not I theirs.[1]

[1]*Carretto, Carlo, I Francis, Orbis, Maryknoll: NY, 2004, P. 8. Ted Bergh, © ParishVision Llc 2012 ------ Visit ParishVision.org.*

Diocesan Social Justice Commission

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

"The LORD God then took the man and settled him in the garden of Eden, to cultivate and care for it." … "Today the subject of development is also closely related to the duties arising from *our relationship to the natural environment*. The environment is God's gift to everyone, and in our use of it we have a responsibility towards the poor, towards future generations and towards humanity as a whole. Our sense of responsibility wanes when nature, including the human being, is viewed as the result of mere chance or evolutionary determinism. In nature, the believer recognizes the wonderful result of God's creative activity, which we may use responsibly to satisfy our legitimate needs, material or otherwise, while respecting the intrinsic balance of creation. If this vision is lost, we end up either considering nature an untouchable taboo or, on the contrary, abusing it. Neither attitude is consonant with the Christian vision of nature as the fruit of God's creation."

***Genesis 2:15**, and **Pope Benedict XVI**, June 29, 2009, Caritas in Veritate (Charity in Truth), no. 48, www.vatican.va (From: Diocesan Social Justice Commission www.rapidcitydiocese.org/Ministries/SocialJustice.htm)*

Blessed Sacrament Chorus

Angelorum CD's on Sale

Chorus Angelorum, the Blessed Sacrament Saturday 5:30 p.m. choir, has recorded a wonderful CD. It is entitled, "Into Your Hands," and it is available for your purchase. These CDs cost $15 each or "buy 2 and get one free" (3 for $30). **What a quality Christmas gift or spiritual listening tool!** In addition, we have a few previously recorded Christmas CDs that we're giving away for $5 each. You may purchase these CDs at the Blessed Sacrament Parish office from Rose or call Jackie Schnittgrund at 342-6132.

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